

## ABSTRACT

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2 Methods for providing a framework for document objects located on a network  
3 are detailed. One method includes steps for creating one or more link directories for  
4 storing link relationships between document objects located on the network and for  
5 enabling users of the network to create link relationships between a first document object  
6 located on the network and a second document object located on the network. The  
7 method may also include steps for allowing users to assign attributes describing the link  
8 relationships and the document objects related by the link relationships and for managing  
9 the presentation of link relationships. One method of managing the presentation of link  
10 relationships to a user uses the assigned attributes to determine which link relationships  
11 are presented to the user and the manner in which the link relationships are presented.